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SUBJECT: CHECKLIST FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT TO ROMANIA

FOR THE SECRETARY'S PARTY (MR. STABLER)

1. US OBJECTIVES: WE CONTINUE TO ATTACH SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO IMPROVING OUR RELATIONS WITH ROMANIA. YOUR VISIT WILL DEMONSTRATE THIS. PRESIDENT FORD REAFFIRMS WHAT PRESIDENT NIXON TOLD CEAUSESCU IN DECEMBER 1973, THAT THE US WILL MAKE NO DEAL WITH SOVIETS AT ROMANIA'S EXPENSE.

2. MFN: WE CONTINUE TO FAVOR THE EXTENSION OF MFN TO ROMANIA AS SOON AS CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORITY IS OBTAINED AND A COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT WITH ROMANIA CAN BE NEGOTIATED. HOWEVER, CONGRESSIONAL SENSITIVITIES RE EMIGRATION POLICIES OF OTHER EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES NOT NOW RECEIVING MFN WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT, AS INDICATED BY SENATOR JACKSON IN HIS STATEMENT TO THE PRESS

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FOLLOWING RELEASE OF THE EXCHANGE OF LETTERS WITH YOU.

CCC CREDITS: BECAUSE OF A POOR HARVEST, THE ROMANIANS MAY AGAIN RAISE CCC FEEDGRAIN CREDITS. WE CANNOT PROVIDE MORE FEEDGRAIN CREDITS. IF ROMANIANS ARE INTERESTED,

HOWEVER, WE WILL LOOK INTO POSSIBILITY OF PROVIDING MORE CCC CREDITS FOR COTTON.

CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC AGREEMENT: MACOVESCU MAY EXPRESS REGRET THAT YOU AND HE COULD NOT SIGN THIS AGREEMENT DURING YOUR VISIT. WE ARE READY TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS VERY SHORTLY AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONCLUDING A LONGER-TERM AGREEMENT (FIVE YEARS).

DUAL NATIONALS - DIVIDED FAMILIES: MORE FLEXIBILITY IN ROMANIAN EMIGRATION POLICIES, ESPECIALLY WHERE DIVIDED FAMILIES AND DUAL NATIONALS ARE CONCERNED, IS IMPORTANT FOR ROMANIA'S IMAGE IN THE US, ESPECIALLY IN CONGRESS.

ROMANIAN MILITARY VISIT: WE ARE PLEASED THAT COLONEL GENERAL GHEORGHE ION, CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF OF THE ROMANIAN ARMY AND FIRST DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE ARMED FORCES, WILL SHORTLY BE VISITING THE US (AT GENERAL WEYAND'S INVITATION).

RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND DETENTE: CEAUSESCU

WILL WANT TO HAVE YOUR IMPRESSIONS FROM YOUR TALKS IN MOSCOW ON SALT, OTHER DETENTE ISSUES, AND BILATERAL RELATIONS. HE WILL BE GLAD TO GIVE YOU HIS EVALUATION OF SOVIET DEVELOPMENTS AND OF THE SITUATION WITHIN THE COMMUNIST WORLD IN GENERAL.

CYPRUS: THE CYPRUS SITUATION HAS STABILIZED SOMEWHAT. WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT CLERIDES-DENTASH TALKS AS OFFERING THE BEST IMMEDIATE HOPE FOR FURTHER PROGRESS.

EUROPEAN SECURITY: ALTHOUGH DEVELOPMENTS IN CSCE AND MBFR ARE SLOW, PROGRESS WILL COME. IT WILL
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NOT BE AT THE EXPENSE OF SMALLER STATES IN EUROPE.

BALKAN ZONE OF PEACE: IF ROMANIA'S INITIATIVE FOR A "BALKAN ZONE OF PEACE" SHOULD MEET WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BALKAN STATES THEMSELVES, WELL AND GOOD; BUT IT WOULD BE PREMATURE FOR US TO TAKE A POSITION AT THIS TIME.

MBFR: UPDATE PROVIDED SEPTTEL.

CSCE: UPDATE PROVIDED SEPTTEL.

MIDDLE EAST: TO BE PROVIDED BY SAUNDERS IN TEHRAN. INGERSOLL

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